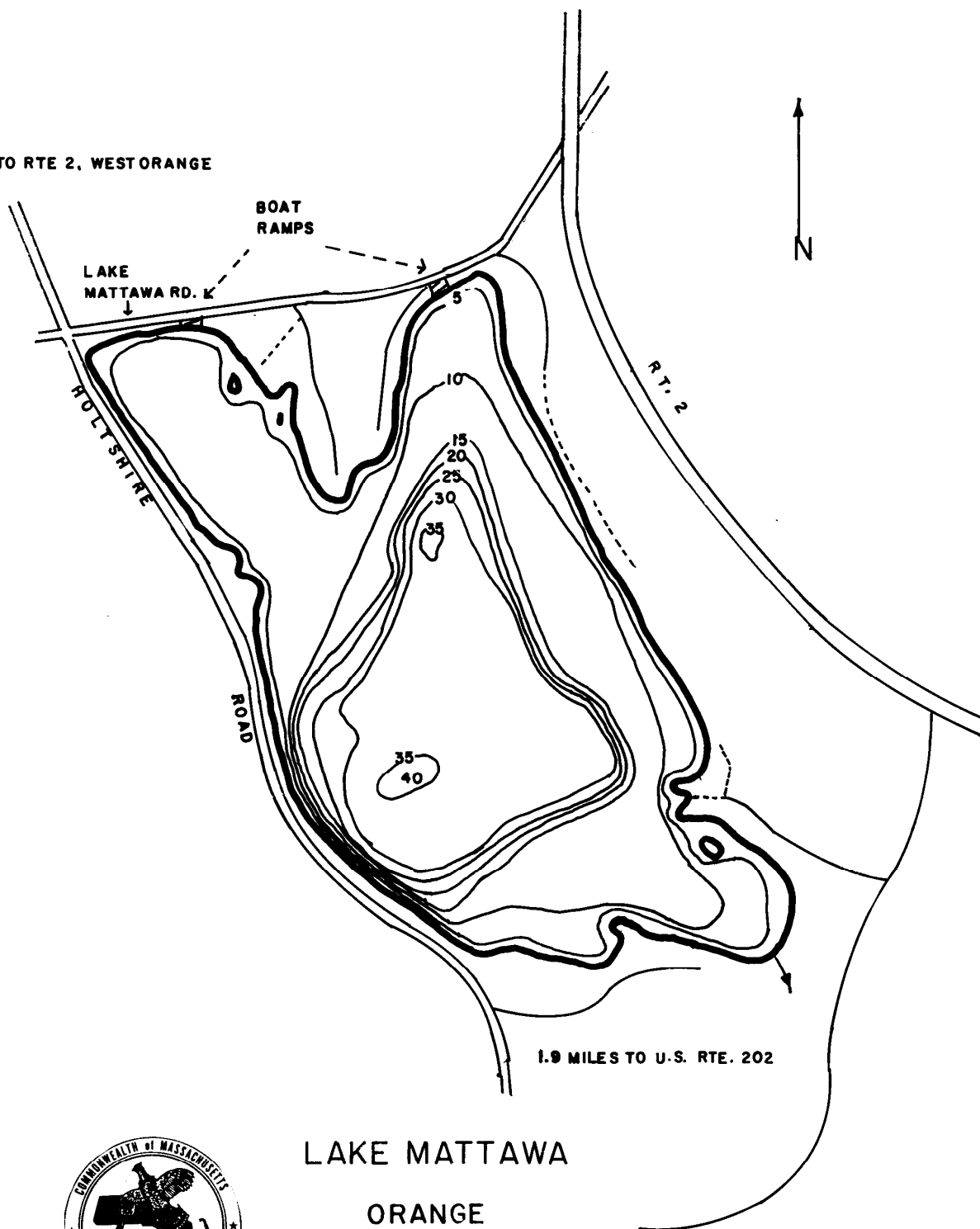


2 MILES TO RTE 2, WEST ORANGE



LAKE MATTAWA

ORANGE

AREA = 112 ACRES

NOT FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES

LAKE MATTAWA (Orange)

General Information:

Mattawa is a 112-acre lake located in the town of Orange just south of Route 2. Depth averages 17 feet and maximum depth is 40 feet. The water is clear and of good quality with a transparency of 15 feet. The bottom type is predominantly gravel and sand. Aquatic weeds are scant. Historically, 15% of the lake's volume has registered as trout water in the summer.

The shoreline is 75% developed with year round homes and summer cottages. Two paved public ramps, both of which are on Lake Mattawa Road, provide boat access areas. Shoreline access is along Holtshire Road and by the boat access areas. Recreational usage in the summer is high, with swimming, fishing and sailing the most popular activities. **There is a restriction on the size of the outboard motors (10hp or less).**

This lake can be found on the U.S.G.S topographical quad map titled "Orange." Nearby fishing areas include Laurel Lake, Lake Rohunta and the Millers River.

Fish Populations:

The fish population was most recently studied during a 1978 summer sampling. Eight species were collected including smallmouth bass, pumpkinseed, bluegill, yellow perch, golden shiner, white sucker, brown bullhead and smelt.

Fishing:

Lake Mattawa is stocked each spring and fall with rainbow and brown trout. Year-round fishing for trout exists, with peak pressure from April through June. This lake has a reputation for producing trophy trout. The existence of numerous springs and the smelt forage provide the conditions conducive to growing trophy-sized brown trout. Surplus Atlantic salmon were also stocked in Lake Mattawa in the spring of 1992 and 1993, and will continue to be stocked here when they are available. Fishing for the smallmouth bass and yellow perch should also be productive.

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